

CHC 21 DAYS OF PRAYER GUIDE:  
PREPARING FOR

**Easter**

Church family,

As Easter approaches, we're committing to 21 days of prayer (Acts 2:42), believing it's our primary strategy for joining God's mission. This guide unites us in prayer, encouraging and challenging us to be bold for Jesus. Why a guide? We want to intentionally pray as a church and individuals, seeking God's presence, work, and Spirit for ourselves and the lost. The resurrection proves God shows up—what could He do with a united, praying church?

Each day offers Scripture with morning and evening prayer prompts. Tips as you use this guide:

- ▶ Find a quiet time/place, read Scripture slowly, and pray through prompts.
- ▶ Use this as a flexible guide, blending it into existing prayer routines.
- ▶ Approach morning prompts individually and evening ones in community—spouse, kids, roommates, or church members—to unite our hearts. Missional Community Leaders will also guide evening prayer on meeting nights.

Join us in tuning our hearts to Christ's resurrection, growing as disciples who impact the world. May God bless us and shine upon us, making His way and salvation known (Ps. 67:1-2).

In Christ,  
Your Pastors

# Day 1: March 30

SCRIPTURE: *John 1:1-5*

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for **sending Jesus, the Word made flesh**, into the world to bring life and light.
  - Pray that God would **help us delight in Christ**, who came to reveal God's love and truth.
  - Pray that God would **deepen our awe of Jesus** as the **Creator and Sustainer** of all things.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **open doors** for the **light of Christ to shine** in our communities and beyond.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **boldly shine the light of Jesus** to those who are lost and searching.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **give us courage and wisdom to share His love** with others.

# Day 2: March 31

SCRIPTURE: *Isaiah 9:2, 6-7*

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light...

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace..."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God** for the **hope Jesus brings** as the light in our darkness.
- Pray that God would **help us trust Jesus** as our Wonderful Counselor and Prince of Peace.
  - Pray that God would **fill us with joy** in the gift of His Son.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **bring peace to those in turmoil** through Jesus' presence.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **reflect Christ's peace and love** to those around us.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **use us as instruments of His light** in a fallen world.

# Day 3: April 1

SCRIPTURE: *Luke 2:8-14*

"And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby...  
suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared...

'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for **announcing Jesus' birth to humble shepherds**, showing His love for all.
  - Pray that God would **help us worship Jesus** with the same awe as the angels.
  - Pray that God would **renew our hearts** with the message of peace through Christ.

## EVENING PRAYER

*(MC's Pray Together)*

- ▶ Pray for God to **reveal His glory** to those who feel forgotten or unworthy.
- ▶ Pray for us to **share the good news of Jesus' birth** with humility and joy.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **bring unity and peace** among His people.

# Day 4: April 2

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 4:1-4*

"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil...  
'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God for Jesus' obedience and strength** in facing temptation.
  - Pray that God would **help us rely on His Word** as Jesus did.
  - Pray that God would **sustain us through trials** with His presence.

## EVENING PRAYER

*(MC's Pray Together)*

- ▶ Pray for God to **protect those facing temptation or hardship** today.
- ▶ Pray for us to **stand firm in faith, trusting God's Word** over worldly lies.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **guide us** in living lives that honor Him.

# Day 5: April 3

SCRIPTURE: *John 3:16-17*

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son...  
God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for **His immeasurable love** in sending Jesus to save us.
- Pray that God would **help us grasp the depth of His love** for us personally.
  - Pray that God would **stir gratitude in us** for Christ's sacrifice.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **draw those who don't know Him** to the love of Jesus.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **embody God's love and grace** to others.
- ▶ Pray for God to **heal hearts wounded by condemnation** with His saving truth.

# Day 6: April 4

SCRIPTURE: *Mark 1:14-15*

"Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. 'The time has come,' he said. 'The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for **Jesus' bold proclamation** of the Kingdom.
  - Pray that God would **help us repent and turn fully to Him**.
- Pray that God would **open our hearts** to believe and live Kingdom values by the Spirit.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **advance His Kingdom** through the message of Jesus today.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **proclaim the good news** with courage and clarity.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **soften hearts** to receive His call to repentance.



# Day 7: April 5

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 5:14-16*

"You are the light of the world...

let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for **calling us to reflect Jesus**, the true Light.
- Pray that God would **help us live in a way that glorifies Him**.
- Pray that God would **fill us with His Spirit** to shine brightly.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **use our actions** to point others to Jesus.
- ▶ Pray for us to **overcome fear and shine boldly** for Christ.
- ▶ Pray for **God to be glorified** through His people worldwide.

# Day 8: April 6

SCRIPTURE: *John 10:14-15*

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me...  
and I lay down my life for the sheep."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God for Jesus**, our Good Shepherd, who knows and loves us.
  - Pray that God would **help us hear and follow** His voice.
- Pray that God would **comfort us** with His care and protection.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **use us to seek out those who are lost** and bring them to Jesus.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **trust Jesus' sacrifice and rest in His love**.
- ▶ Pray for God to **guide His flock** with wisdom and tenderness.

# Day 9: April 7

SCRIPTURE: *Luke 15:4-7*

"Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one... when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home..."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for Jesus' relentless pursuit of the lost.
- Pray that God would help us rejoice in His seeking love.
- Pray that God would give us hearts that care for the wandering.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to find and rescue those far from Him tonight.
- ▶ Pray for us to join Jesus in seeking the lost with compassion.
- ▶ Pray for God to bring joy to His people as He restores the broken.

# Day 10: April 8

SCRIPTURE: *John 11:25-26*

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life.  
The one who believes in me will live, even though they die...'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for Jesus' power over death and promise of life.
- Pray that God would help us trust in Christ as our resurrection hope.
  - Pray that God would renew our faith in His eternal promises.

## EVENING PRAYER

*(MC's Pray Together)*

- ▶ Pray for God to comfort those grieving with the hope of Jesus.
- ▶ Pray for us to live as people confident in the resurrection to come.
  - ▶ Pray for God to reveal His life-giving power to the hopeless.

# Day 11: April 9

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 21:1-5*

"See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey... the foal of a donkey."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for Jesus' humble entry as our King.
- Pray that God would help us welcome Him into our lives fully.
  - Pray that God would teach us humility like Christ's.

## EVENING PRAYER

*(MC's Pray Together)*

- ▶ Pray for God to **reign as King** in the hearts of many this Easter.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **honor Jesus** with our praise and obedience.
- ▶ Pray for God to **bring peace to our community** through His gentle rule.

# Day 12: April 10

SCRIPTURE: *Mark 11:7-10*

"They brought the colt to Jesus... 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for Jesus' triumphal entry as our King of peace.
- Pray that God would help us proclaim "Hosanna" with hearts full of praise.
- Pray that God would prepare us to receive Jesus as Lord over every part of our lives.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to stir hearts to welcome Jesus as King this Easter season.
  - ▶ Pray for us to live in a way that honors Christ's lordship.
- ▶ Pray for God to bring His kingdom's justice and mercy to our world.

# Day 13: April 11

SCRIPTURE: *John 12:23-26*

"Jesus replied, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified... Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be...'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for Jesus' willingness to face the cross for our sake.
- Pray that God would help us follow Jesus with wholehearted devotion.
  - Pray that God would align our desires with His purpose and glory.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to strengthen those who are weary in serving Him.
- ▶ Pray for us to take up our cross daily and follow Christ faithfully.
- ▶ Pray for God to be glorified through our lives as we reflect Jesus' sacrifice.

# Day 14: April 12

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 26:6-13*

"A woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head...  
'She has done a beautiful thing to me.'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for the woman's extravagant love, foreshadowing Jesus' burial.
- Pray that God would help us offer our best to Jesus in worship and surrender.
  - Pray that God would inspire us to love Him with such costly devotion.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to receive our acts of worship as a sweet fragrance.
- ▶ Pray for us to honor Jesus with our resources, time, and talents.
  - ▶ Pray for God to teach us generosity that reflects His heart.



# Day 15: April 13

## Palm Sunday

SCRIPTURE: *Luke 19:37-40*

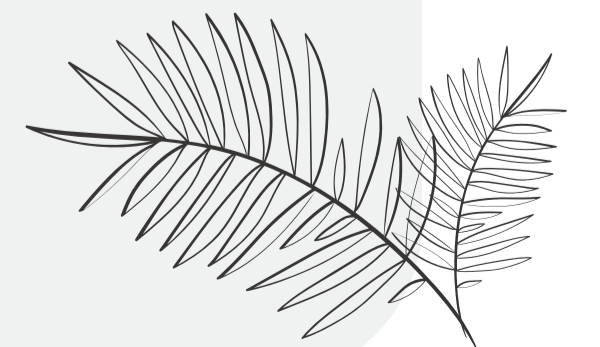
"The whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God... 'If they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.'"

### MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God for the joy of Jesus' entry** into Jerusalem as our Savior.
- Pray that God would **help us join the chorus of praise for Christ our King.**
- Pray that God would **ignite our hearts** with uncontainable worship today.

### EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to move **His people to proclaim Jesus' name** this Holy Week.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **testify to Christ's goodness**, even when it's costly.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **silence our doubt and fear** with the truth of His Son.



# Day 16: April 14

SCRIPTURE: *John 13:3-5, 12-15*

"Jesus... began to wash his disciples' feet..."

'I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.'

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God for Jesus' humility** in serving His disciples.
- Pray that God would **help us embrace a servant's heart** like Christ's.
- Pray that God would **show us ways to love others selflessly** today.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **raise up servants who reflect Jesus' love** in our world.
- ▶ Pray for us to **wash the feet of others** through acts of kindness and grace.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **break pride in us and replace it with humility.**

# Day 17: April 15

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 26:26-28*

"While they were eating, Jesus took bread... 'Take and eat; this is my body.' Then he took a cup... 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many...'"

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for the Last Supper and Jesus' body and blood given for us.
  - Pray that God would help us remember the cost of our redemption.
  - Pray that God would deepen our gratitude for the new covenant in Christ.

## EVENING PRAYER

*(MC's Pray Together)*

- ▶ Pray for God to unite His church in the truth of Jesus' sacrifice.
- ▶ Pray for us to live as people forgiven and renewed by His blood.
- ▶ Pray for God to prepare our hearts to always receive the Lord's Supper with reverence.

# Day 18: April 16

SCRIPTURE: *Luke 22:39-44*

"Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives...

'Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.'

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God for Jesus' submission** to the Father's will in Gethsemane.
- Pray that God would **help us trust Him** in our own struggles and surrender.
  - Pray that God would **strengthen us** to say, "Not my will, but Yours."

## EVENING PRAYER

*(MC's Pray Together)*

- ▶ Pray for God to **comfort those in anguish** with the peace Jesus found in prayer.
  - ▶ Pray for us to **stand firm in faith** during times of testing.
  - ▶ Pray for God to **align our hearts** with His perfect plan.

# Day 19: April 17

SCRIPTURE: *John 19:16-18*

"So the soldiers took charge of Jesus...

There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle."

## MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for Jesus' willingness to bear the cross for our sins.
- Pray that God would help us grasp the weight of what Christ endured for us.
- Pray that God would fill us with sorrow for our sin and awe at His love.

## EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to reveal the power of the cross to those who don't yet believe.
  - ▶ Pray for us to live as people redeemed by Jesus' suffering.
- ▶ Pray for God to heal the wounded and broken through the victory of the cross.

# Day 20: April 18

## Good Friday

SCRIPTURE: *John 19:28-30*

"Later, knowing that everything had now been finished... Jesus said, 'It is finished.'  
With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."

### MORNING PRAYER

- Pray thanking God for the **completed work of Jesus on the cross.**
- Pray that God would help us rest in the truth that **"It is finished," all our sins are forgiven.**
- Pray that God would **overwhelm us** with the reality of His generosity today.

### EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **bring salvation to many** through the message of the cross.
- ▶ Pray for us to **carry the hope of Jesus' finished work** into our everyday lives.
- ▶ Pray for God to **silence the enemy's lies** among us with the triumph of Christ's death.



# Day 21: April 19

## Holy Saturday

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 27:57-60*

"Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and placed it in his own new tomb...  
He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance..."

### MORNING PRAYER

- Pray **thanking God for the silence of the tomb**, where Jesus rested in victory.
  - Pray that God would **help us wait with hope**, trusting His timing.
  - Pray that God would **prepare our hearts for the joy of resurrection**.

### EVENING PRAYER

- ▶ Pray for God to **stir anticipation in us** for Easter morning.
- ▶ Pray for us to **reflect on the depth of Jesus' sacrifice** as we celebrate His rising.
- ▶ Pray for God to **bring new life** to the spiritually dead through Christ's power.



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